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# INTERVENTION IN MEXICO IMPROBABLE

### WILSON HAS LAST SAY; CAN PREVENT ARMED INVASION

BY DAVID LAWRENCE Special Correspondent of The News Scimitar.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 .- There is not going to be any armed intervention in Mexico at this time.. Congress may pass resolutions asking for severance of diplomatic relations and even authorize the use of military and naval forces, but, under the constitution of the United States, it remains for the president to determine when and how the best interests of the country will be served in dealing with foreign affairs.

Entirely apart from the personal conerence with the president, demanded
by the senate for two of its members
in order that Mr. Wisson might have
the views of the senate, is the question
of entering upon a new war at this
time.

time.

What Senator Fall, of New Mexico, may, think about the president's attifude, or what other political opponents may say, is one thing, but what is actually going to happen is guite another.

The fact is that there is much more concern in executive quarters over the shutting down of American industries, and the throwing out of employment of thousands of men because of the coal strike, than there is over embarking on a new military campaign below the Rio Grande.

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The regular army is strategically distributed to assist governors of states in handling industrial disturbances. Calls for volunteers would have to be made, and new appropriations and taxis decided upon.

But, as said above, there is not going to be any military intervention just now. Indeed, there is no reason to suppose that congress really wants more war.

Of course, the president's refusal to Intervene in Mexico would enable the (Continued on Page 18, Column 3.)

Soldier Think He's

Public Has Rights.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 6.—In an address before a large assembly of citizens have deliced on both coal operators and the higher ground of self-interest and the higher ground of self-interest and the higher ground of self-interest and the higher ground of patriotic duty to state and nation, and declared that "should they fail to heed this appeal, then the notice is served upon them that I shall forth-with task such steps and employ such means as may seem best calculated to produce the desired results.

The governor spoke in Market hall, the city auditorium, and was beard by a very large audience, including many miners and operators, as well as intercent in East Tennessee. He was accompanied to the city by Attorney-General Frank M. Thompson and Adjt. Gen. E. B. Sweeney, with both of whom he was in conference this morning before the address, and again this afternoon.

### Soldier Think He's

of a private bearing one overseas service stripe and insignia of artillery.

### Witness Left; Liquor Cases

Over the protest of Raiph Davis, attorney for the defendants, Judge John E. McCall Saturday morning entered a mistrial in the cases against "Pug" Rogers. R. E. alias "Happy," Lee, Joe Conroy and Herman Tamble, charged with conspiracy to violate the Reed amendment, and continued the cases until the next term of court.

This action was taken when W. D. Kyser, district attorney, reported to the principal witnesses for the government, who disappeared during the trial Friday afternoon, could not be found.

Layman was present in court Friday afternoon and was sworn with other fitnesses who were placed under the rule and sent from the courtroom. Two witnesses for the government were examined and Layman was present in court Friday afternoon and was sworn with other fitnesses who were placed under the rule and sent from the courtroom. Two witnesses for the government were examined and Layman was then called. He falled to answer and search for him was without success. Layman was under 1220 bond and this bond was ordered forfeited.

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forfeited.

Mr. Davis opposed the action of the court in entering a mistrial on the grounds that the defendants had been placed in jeopardy, but was overruled.

### THE WEATHER

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 6, 1919. Hempins, Tenn., Dec. 5, 1919.

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7 p.m. yes day 47 46 94
7 a.m. today... 61 58 86
Noon today... 63 51 88
Maximum temperature, 61; minimum,
47. Sun sets today 4:48 p.m.; rises tomorrow, 5:55 a.m. Moon sets 7:01 a.m.
Precipitation. 63 inch.

Tennessee-Rain and colder, followed Mississippi-Fair following local rains and colder.

Arkansas-Rain and colder Alabama-Local rains and colder foived by fair weather. Kentucky-Rain and colder followed velearing weather.

Louisiana-Cloudy, cooler in north. Oklahoma-Cloudy, colder, East Texas-Generally fair, cooler. West Texas-Fair, colder. North and South Carolina, Georgia-

Probable local rains, warmer. Florida-Fair. Kansas-Unsettled and colder.

a Visit Come From Desolate Homes to Goodfellows-

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No. 59 East Tries

Thought to be suffering from shell shock and laboring under the hallucination that since he has been in the army oil investments in Texas have made him a millionaire, a man wearing an overseas uniform has been negotiating with several local automobiles salest man regarding the purchase of a car and a home.

Walking into the salesroom of an automobile plant Thursday the soldier inquired if a certain high-priced limous line was in stock. His funcy ran high, for the car sells at \$5,000. He was shown fits auto, the demonstrator making several trips over the city. He gave as reference a bank in Dallas.

The man then was to be introduced to a real estate man. The latter, a friend of the auto salesman, made a found of the handsomest residences in memphis. Included were the R. E. Galloway home and the residence built by the lat George Brednax, value of either mounting well over \$100,000.

Name of the same Dallas bank was given the reality man as reference, the soldier saying had a large amount on deposit there. Information in an swer to telegrams to this bank, it is said, came Saturday and declared than os such person was known.

Both the auto salesman amd the reality man say the soldier offered no checks nor made any advances as to the drawing of money. His uniform is that of a private bearing one overseas service stripe and insignia of artillery.

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When the other hand, the right to strike is not in any sense an absolute one; indeed, the moral right does not exist at all in favor of citizens engaged in certain employments. Here is a great coal strike where a large number of men have arrogated unto themselves the right for the mere sake of a comparatively small increase in wages to freeze the world into submission to their demands, throwing hundreds of thousands of laborers out of emuployment for

IN LIQUOR CASES

Sentence was deferred in the cases of Charles B. Renegar and Fritz Sodini, convicted during the week in the federal court of violation of the war-time prohibition act, pending a decision from the United States supreme court.

The validity of the war-time prohibition act was attacked Saturday by Chas. M. Bryan, representing Renegar and Sodini, and in support of his contention declared that President Wilson had stated in a message to congress on Nov. 11, 1918, "the war thus comes to an end." This statement, Mr. Bryan declared, definitely settled the disputed point as to when the war officially ended. He cited instances of periods of years elapsing before peace treaties were signed following other wars.

The supreme court of the United States is to hand down a decision covering this point during the coming week and its decision will, of course, definitely settle the question. Judge McCall was noticeably impressed with the arguments presented by the attorneys representing the defendants and consented to a postponement of sentence.

The verdict of a jury rendered earlier

tence.

The verdict of a jury rendered earlier in the week in the case against Bubber Woods, negro, charging a violation of the Reed amendment, was set aside by order of Judge McCall. Judge McCall shared in the contention of the defense that Woods had been convicted on purely circumstantial evidence and that there was a probability of his innocence.

Appeals to Saint Nicholas for

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Total ..... BY A. GOODFELLOW.

Today you will get a look behind the scene. An extract from a few of the letters that reach this office with their pathetic and irresistible appeal will be given just to show how imperative it is for everyone to get behind the Goodfellows-Santa Claus club and put this campaign over for the pure joy of doing t and because of the joy it will bring

it and because of the joy it will bring to the desolate homes.

Scrawled upon a piece of soiled paper is this note: "I am six years old with no one to support me but my grand-father and be is sick. Please let Santa Claus remember me."

A good woman wrote this letter for her little friend: "I am a little girl 14 months old." My mother is sick. I won't have any Christmas unless Santa Claus gets my name and brings me something and brings my mother something to eat."

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Here is one that shows evidence of labor spent over its composition: "I and my two little sisters haven't got anything for Christmas, nothing to wear, no hose and no clothes of any kind, nor any mother. Our father is nearly blind. I am I4 the next one is 8 and baby is 2. Please send us something. We will be pleased with anything."

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Here is one just as sad. Perhaps the
printing, of it will cause someone else
to think what this plight means. Maybe
the father will see it: "Unless you remember me my Christmas will be very
sad. My father and mother are not
together and my mother is not able
to send Santa Claus to see me."

And this one: "I have a little brother
snd we have no father. Will you pleasy
let Santa Claus come to see us?" Of
course the Goodfellows are going to be
a Santa Claus to that little fellow.

Surely this will reach your purse: "I
am a poor little girl and have a little
brother 8 years old and one 19 years
old and I am 12 years old. I wish you
would give us something for Christmas. Our mother is unable to work
and we don't have anything for Christmas but what you give us. My father
is in Louisville.

Then here is one from a mother:
"Please be so good as to remember my
little girl. She was born after her
father died and I am not able to work
or get her anything for Christmas."

There are so many like this: "Will
you please send me something for
Christmas. I have no father and live
with my grandfather. My mother works
but she can't help me."

Here is a lesson in real sacrifice, Contained in the letter was a 25-cent poet.
"I read in the paper where some little
girls had sent you some money they
made on their chickens. My mamma
gave me two little chickens and they
streamly pets. They stay in the house.
My grandfather gave me 25 cents for
one of them and I will sent it to you
Goodfellows to help some poor little
girl like me. I want all the children
to have a Christmas. My father is a
poor man but I know the good Santa
Claus will share with me.

"HENRY ESTILL HILL."

"Toone, Tenn."

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We have a long way to go if we carry out our pledge that there shall not be an empty stocking or a disappointed child on Christmas morning What will you give to help keep the pleige. Send a check to the Goodfellows, care of The News Scimitar.

### NEW ORDER CANCELS 14 TRAINS IN AND OUT OF MEMPHIS

Effective at 12:01 a.m. Monday, the following Memphis passenger trains will be discontinued: MISSOURI PACIFIC-

Nos, 201 and 202 (Sunshine special), leaving at 10:40 p.m. and

Nos. 219 and 220 (Hot Springs special), leaving at 12:01 p.m. and arriving at 4:30 p.m. Nos. 831 and 830 (McGehee accommodation), leaving at 5 p.m-

and arriving at 10:30 p.m. A sleeper will be operated to Little Rock and to St. Louis, an extra train being provided to handle sleeper from Wynne to Little

Nos. 105 and 106 (Florida limited), leaving at 8:20 a.m. and arriving at 8:20 p.m., both cast and west.

Nos. 923 and 924 (Aberdeen accommodation), leaving at 4 p.m. and arriving at 11:15 a.m. ROCK ISLAND-

Nos. 602 and 603, leaving at 2:30 p.m. and arriving at 12:30 p.m. COTTON BELT-

Nos, 3 and 4, leaving at 8:30 p.m. and arriving at 7:30 a.m. Sleeper will be taken off of Nos. 1 and 2, to Texarkana.

The first slash of the fuel administration at the passenger train service in the south cut off 14 trains operating in and out of Memphis under the jurisdiction of B. F. Bush, regional director for the Southwestern region, and orders are momentarily expected from B. L. Winchell, regional director for the southern region cutting off fully as many more trains.

The trains discontinued in the southwestern region will not leave their point of origin after 12:01 a.m. Monday. One-third of the mileage in the southern region will be discontinued 24 hours later, but the trains to be cut off had not been specified Saturday noon. In addition to the Memphis trains, many other local trains in Arkansas also discontinued.

### CANNOT BOOST COAL PRICE, GARFIELD SAYS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 .- Not one cent can be added to the price of coal to finance any increases in the wages of miners, Fuel Administrator Garfield declared today, after reading press dispatches that Gov. Cox of Ohio had proposed that miners and operators in that state compromise on the basis of a 25 per cent advance in pay for the men.

Dr. Garfield indicated that the gov-rament would interpose no objection if he increase could be given without ad-

the increase could be given without advancing coal prices.

"There will be no increase in the present price of coal as fixed under the Lever act," Dr. Garfield said. "no matter what local arrangements and agreements are put into effect."

He added that his position absolutely was unchanged from that taken on Nov. 26, with the authorization of the cabinet. Dr. Garfield explained then, in suggesting the 14 per cent advance, which the miners promptly rejected.

with the miners promptly rejected, that he was not fixing wage scales, and had no authority to do so.

He indicated the increase suggested was merely that which the operators were able to grant without advancing morning.

COMPLETE PLANS TO GET WITNESSES FOR JURY

INDIANAPOLIS. Dec. 6.—Arrangements for bringing to Indianapolis witnesses who will appear before the federal grand jury next week during its investigation of charges of violation of the Lever antitrust acts in connection with the soft coal strike were being completed today and, it is said, evidence secured by the government probably will be presented to the grand jury immediately after it convenes Monday morning.

### LUMBERMEN'S CLUB CAMPAIGN STARTS

J. D. Rush and W. E. Hyde Head Red and Blue Tickets, Respectively.

which the quadrennial presidential race is less than child's play, opened at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon with the announcement at the Lumbermen's club biweekly meeting of the two tickets which will compete in the annual elec-

tion of club officers and directors. J. D. Rush, of the Rush Lumber Co., was the choice of the "Red" nominating committee for president, and W. E. Hyde, of the Hyde Lumber Co., was selected by the "Blue" committee lead the ticket of their choice. The nominees are: President. W. E. Hyde

J. D. Rush ... W. E. Hyde First Vice-President Walker L. Welford W. F. Holzgrafe Second Vice-President W. N. Coulson Howland Darnell Secretary Clayton Johnson Clayton Johnson Clayton Johnson
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morning BURY SAM COCKE AT FRANKLIN, TENN.

The hody of Sam W. Cocke, killed

### Here's Thief Who's Antiquarian And a

Philatelist As Well Three antique pistols and a quantity foreign coins-Chinese, German Italian, French, Mexican, etc.-were stolen from the Cossitt library Friday night and recovered a short time after the robbery by Patrolmen Turner and

E. F. Long. 20. Southern avenue, in held for the theft. He admitted when questioned at headquarters by Detertive Heckle, that he had concealed him-self in the library in the hope of rob-bing it. He hid out at closing time, collected his loot and made a getaway through a window. Officers found an open window when they probed Long's story. The loot had been taken from the relicabinets in the library. A charge of robbery probably will be preferred against Long, if officials of the library desire to property.

### STOP GAMING AT OLD MONARCH

Notice that gambling and craps shooting must be stopped at the Old Monarch, notorious negro dive at 340 Beale avenue, has been served on C. B. Quinn, fire and police commissioner, by Sam O. Bates state's attorney.

Determined that, insofar as his office could enforce it, lawlessness must be stopped, Mr. Bates, a day or two ago, took the bull by the horns, and served an ultimatum on the police commissioner.

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From information that reached the state's attorney, he was convinced that craps games were flourishing at the noted dive as justily as in the old days. Knowing that a game of such size could not flourish without knowledge of at least a portion of the police department. Mr. Bates went direct to the fountain head of law enforcement in the city—Mr. Quinn.

Mr. Quinn told Mr. Bates that if the Monarch was running "wide open." It

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of Western oli producers for alleged profiteering was ordered today by Atfiled by Senator Capper of Kansas, fed- sures.

filed by Senater Capper of Kanaas, federal agents were instructed to proceed at once against producers who have taken advantage of the fuel shortage in the West to increase the price of their product. Simultaneously the railroad administration established an embargo, effective Monday, against shipments of fuel ell from the West to points east of Chicago and St. Leuis. This action, it was explained, was necessary to conserve the small supplies of coal available for the territory west of the Mississippi river and where possible the use of fuel oil instead.

Oil producers, Senator Capper said, have increased their prices from \$1 a barrel before the strike to nearly \$4.50 a barrel. Declaring that scores of industrial plaints in the West had converted their fuel equipment for oil consumption since the atrike began, Senator Capper said the increase in oil prices had placed a burden on them.

Senator Capper also asked the department of justice to investigate complaints that the oil producers "had got together" on prices. He said the quotations made by the big concerns were practically on even terms.

### COURTHOUSE ELEVATORS ALL WILL SHUT DOWN

It you have any business in the courthouse next week you will get plenty of exercise climbing the steps from floor to floor, as Joe Boyle, custodian of the building. Saturday ambunced that beginning Monday the elevators would be closed down completely until the government raised the coal restriction han.

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Boyle claims that he is saving from three to four tons of coal a day, depending on the weather. He mays he will save even more when the elevators are closed. The huilding is being opened at 2 am, and closed at 4 p.m. After 4 p.m. all heat is turned off and the furnace doors are closed for the

### ASSERT PRESENT COAL

open as long as they please.

The Bross and are the statement said, are producing new supply for the nation in the present crisis.

250,000 WORKERS MAY

BE BARRED FROM JOBS

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DETROIT. Dec. 6.—Unless there is an immediate betterment in the fuel situation upward of a quarter million of workers in Michigan face the possibility of being thrown out of work. In Detroit alone approximately 200,000 men may face temporary unemployment the ceming week as the result of notification given the Employers' association by the Detroit Edison company that power will be furnished to only essential industries.

### KANSAS GETS COAL; THREE

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 6.—Kansas was getting coal in fairly appreciable quantities through the volunteer plan today. Missouri hoped to be doing so by night, Oklahoma, where martial law has been declared in the coal producing counties, hopes to be in the business by Monday, and Arkansas, reports indicated, probably will have launched a mining venture by early next week. The fuel shortage attuation, however, did not show improvement, all reports received indicating that an actual famine existed in many localities.

### TRAIN FROM KANSAS CITY WILL BE CUT

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 6.—A dras-tic cut in passenger train service into and out of Kansas City, effective Mon-day and Tuesday, was announced today by five railroads Announcements of discontinuances by other roads are ex-

### ALL MINES OPERATED.

CUMBERLAND, Md. Dec 6.—All bituminous coal mines in West Virginia
on the Western Maryland railroad between Piedmont and Elkins resumed operation yesterday, with 60 per cent of
their normal force at work, according
to reports received teday. Operators
in this territory, which includes parts
of three districts of the United Mine
workers, expect to be running full
forces within ten days. FORECASTS SETTLEMENTS.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Doc 6.—A set-tlement of the strike of bituminous coal miners in Ohio and Western Penn-sylvania would be followed quickly by a settlement in the Illinois field, Frank Parrington, president of the Illinois miners, said today. FALL FROM CAB

### INJURES FLAGMAN

G. H. Kinf, 27. railroad flagman, 178
Elm street, probably will recover from injuries he received Friday night, when he fell from a Y. & M. V. engine cab through a treatic close to the Tennessee line.

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A sentence of 50 days in jail and a A schience of set days in jail and a been fine of \$250 and costs was imposed ton Saturday by Judge John E. McCall in federal court, upon Austin Donaghue, convicted of violation of the Reed amendment. The case had been appealed to the circuit court and the decision of the lower court affirmed.

### **COUNCIL DEMANDS** SPEEDY SIGNING IN DRASTIC NOTE

PARIS, Dec. 6.-In a note drafted by the supreme council today it is demanded that Germany sign the protocol providing for the carrying out of the peace terms, failing which the allies, torney General Palmer. On complaint I it is set forth, will be obliged to have recourse to military mea-

> The utmost secrecy is being observed regarding the terms of the note, which was unanimously adopted by the council this morning, but it can be said that it is worded so firmly that conference circles expect the discussion with Germany regarding the putting of the treaty into force will be finally closed.

Many Big Concerns Expect to Operate as Usual on Monday.

Memphia business houses dependent

pon coal as the source of their light nd heat must continue to close, at 4 m., the Southern regional coal comnittee has ruled. The additional hour for business purones allowed to the merchant of St.

poses allowed to the merchant of St. Louis and Little Rock by the Southwestern fuel administration has been denied to Memphis and the cities of the Southern region.

The discrimination in favor of the Southwestern region, where the conservation orders specify 5 p.m. as the closing hour, is to be allowed to continue, regardless of the fact that practically all the coal being used in the Southwestern region is being mined in the Southwestern region, and hundreds of cars of Southern ceal are moving through Memphis daily to supply the Southwest.

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W. H. Flewerz, secretary of the Memphis Associated Retailers, received the following teleraum Staturies morning announcing the decision from Atlanta:

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PRODUCTION MAY STOP

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—All bituminous coal mines now in operation must
close within a week unless the railroad
administration pays for coal it has confiscated or diverted, said a statement
today by the American Wholesale coal
association. The association said the
railroad administration had refused to
lay for the coal until a price it considered fair had been fixed by Fuel Administrator Garfield, and Dr. Garfield
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Memphis terminal Saturday. The re-serve supply subject to award for local essential industries has been decreasing essential industries has been decreasing for the last three days, but the supply is still almost three times as great as was on hand at this time last week Meanwhile the police announced Sat-urday that no dry goods store or pool room would be allowed to be open in Memphis on Sunday.

## **ACCREDITED LIST**

Diplomas Now Will Admit to

Central high school again has been placed on the list of accredited schools of the United States after being off of the list for several years. The announcement of this was made Saturday morning by Prof. Wherton S. Jones, superintendent of education, upon his seturn to Memphis from Louisville, ky, where he attended the convention of the Association of Colleges and Secondary where he attended the convention of the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools of the United States.

Frof. Jones is highly elated over his success in having the local high school again placed on the averedited list amin this connection said that the action in this connection said that the action of the association gives graduates of Central ligh school entrance to any of the colleges of the country upon presentation of their graduation certificates. The action of the association turther shows, according to Prof. Jones, that Memphis now has better schools than it has had for a number of years. A number of years ago Memphis was on the accredited list but the condition of the schools here was permitted to rundown and as a resu't was dropped from the list. Prof. Jones has exerted his efforts toward raising the standard of the Memphis schools and the standard of the Memphis schools and the standard of official approval of the present standard of efficiency in the schools. Thelegates from schools and colleges from all over the South were in attendance at the convention as well as representatives from many colleges and universities of the North and East. Prof. Jones left Memphis Tuesday and returned Saturday merning.

### TO ROBBER OF CAR

Justice was tempered with mercy by Judge John F. Mct'all in federal court Saturday in the case of J. L. Atkinson, convicted last week of receiving goods stelen from an interstate shipment The defendant was first sentenced to one year and a day in the federal prison at Atlanta and to pay a fine of \$250 and costs.

which action the council declares it will be constrained to adopt measures of recretion of a military order.

Awing to the importance of the note, Paul Dutasta, the general secretary of the peace conference, will persenally hand the note to Paron von Lersner, the head of the German mission.

Some speculation is being indulged to as to whether the American forces to the occupied region would join in the carrying out of military measures should Germany refuse to sign the protocol. It is learned, however, that this question has not been raised by the allies, who assume that as the armistice is still in force the Americans would take part in any forward movement, with the British on one side and the French on the other.

Notwithstanding the discussion of preparations for the military eventuality, the impression among the peace conference delegates is that Germany will sign the protocol. The view is taken that the German government, haying been waiting for an ultimatum before yielding, will accept the situation now that the ultimatum has been presented and will sign the protocol under duress.

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Baron von Lersner's communication, which was received by Premier Clemenceau Thursday declared the allies were misinformed regarding their complaint that Germany was exceeding by far the limit the military forces permitted her under the treaty. Von Lersner declared the government had never sought to conceal the fact that never sought to conceal the fact that the creation of detective police forces and civic guards would be necessary, and that the German government was prepared to submit proofs to Gen. Noi-lett, head of the entente commission of control in Berlin, that these organi-zations were permissible under the treaty.

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Germany, added the German plent-potentiary, was ready to discuss the question immediately with the allies and was not seeking to avoid carrying out the treaty terms.

The text of Premier Clemenceau's rote to Von Lersner concerning the excessive German armament complained of, which was made public today, shows that Germany was charged, in addition to the formation of the Reichwehr (imperial defense troops), with organizing the Sichirheitpolizei (security police), and the Zeitfreiwillige (emergency volutierers), which are declared to be virtually military forces. It gummons Germany to reduce her forces arricily to the limits of the treaty.

The council today took under consideration Germany's express wish that customs payments on goods entering Germany by land be made in gold, as had already been done on goods sent by sea. The decision was postponed until the peace treaty is put into force. It was explained that the allies declined to accord an advantage to Germany, holding it incompatible with the delays sile was raising regarding tha putting of the treaty into force and with the unfavorable economic measures she was practicing, especially her prohibition upon importation of numerous articles.

# LAND APPRAISAL

Supplementing a letter sent to William H. Fitzliugh, president of the Chamber of Commerce, premising cordial co-operation in the appraisal of realty in Shelby county by the state equalization board. A. V. Louthan, chief statistician of the board, has notified The News Scimitar that the figures fixed by the board as the appraisal for the counties in West Tennessee will for the counties in West Tennessee will

ures fixed by the board as the appraisal for the counties in West Tennessee will be furnished for publication as soon as they can be tabulated.

Mr. Louthan says that there are a number of counties in Tennessee where the percentage of increase is much greater than the indicated increase in Shelby county. The office force of the board at Nashville is at work on the complainton of the appraisal for the entire state which includes the valuation of more than a million pieces of reality. Elias Gatea, chairman of the taxation committee of the Chamber of Commerce, hopes by the early part of the coming week to have secured the services of an expert statistician, who will personnally inspect the records in the officer of the state board at Nashville.

personally inspect the records in the officer of the state board at Nashville, for the purpose of getting comparisons of the appraisal with that being made in Shelby county. The appraisers who are at work in this county have practically completed their preliminary appraisal for all the essuitry districts and are at work on the left words. ne city wards. They have already one considerable work in the Twenty-ighth. Twenty-ninth. Thirtieth and Thirty-first wards

### \$5,000 WAITING.

Mrs Leurive Jones' address, given formerly as 443 Shelby street, is being sought by the war risk bureau, which has \$5,000 insurance to pay to her as the result of the death of her son, Private Houston Jones, Company D, 409th labor battailon, who succumbed to ensuments April 14, 1919. Atlanta and to pay a fine of \$250 and costs.

A motion for suspension of sentence because of the man's physical condition had been previously overruled Atlanta on the courtroom and after sentence had been pronounced. Judge McCall again called the defendant before him and reduced the sentence to 20 days in jail and a fine of \$250.